

## School Improvement Council

### Elected Members

Stacie Dunn	Parent
Amanda Powell	Parent
Jessica Askins	Parent
Paula Richburg	Parent
Tyler Smih	Teacher
Holley Matthews	Teacher
Carol Crout	Counselor
Nathaniel Gaye	Parent

### Appointed Members

Tanya Roland	Parent
Judith Geiger	Community
Julius Hadden	Community

### ExOfficio Members

Richard Adams	Administrator
Kelli Shealy	Teacher
Jeffery Matthews	Administrator
Tracy Cable	Parent
Elizabeth Whisennant	Administrator

Act 135 requires School Improvement Councils to report to parents by April 30 the progress the school is making to achieve the goals and objectives of the strategic plan. It is a report unique to each school developed by the council to share the challenges and successes of the school, students, parents, and teachers for the *current school year*.

*Pelion Middle School is accredited by Advanced Ed (Southern Association of Colleges and Schools).*

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## Pelion Middle School

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## Pelion Middle School

# Report to the Parents

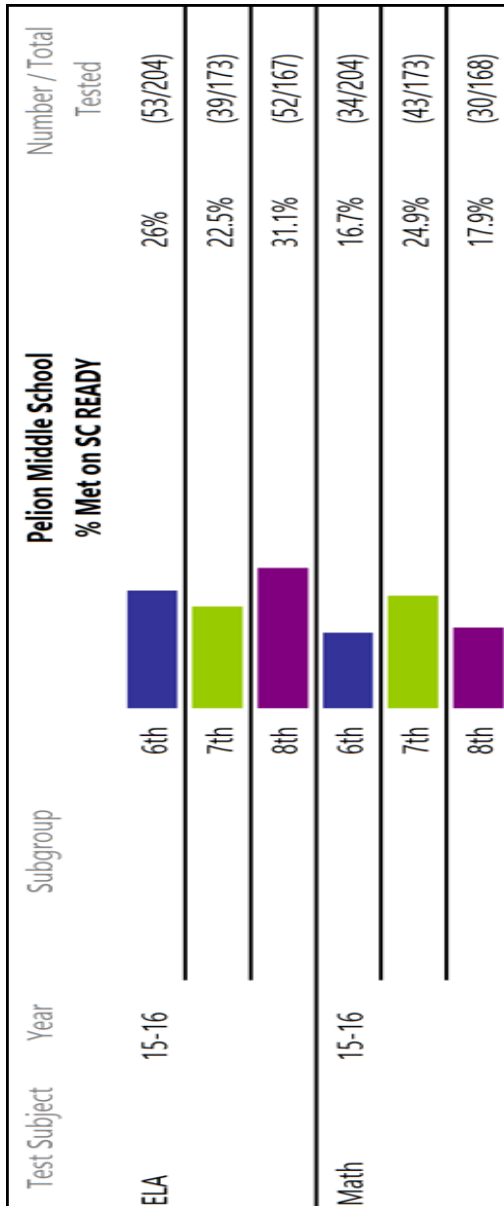
## 2015-2016



**The mission of Pelion Middle School—where caring people, academics, the arts and athletics connect—is to prepare students for successful transition to high school as they work towards becoming productive 21<sup>st</sup> century graduates. We will accomplish this mission while serving as a center for community learning.**

# SCReady Scores

This chart shows the percentage of students whose SCReady scores met or exceeded the standard for the 2015-16 school year.



## We are proud that ...

- We achieved MAP growth all year .
- Four students were selected to participate in the Orchestra Tri-DAC summer program . Seven orchestra students were selected to be members of the Lexington District One honors orchestra.
- Pelion Middle School Honor Band earned Straight Superior ratings at the South Carolina State Concert Performance Festival.
- Kelli Shealy is representing PMS as the 2015-16 PMS Teacher of the Year.
- Positive Panther programs quarterly to highlight academic achievement for our students.
- 26 Students involved in student leadership and community service projects
- Leader in Me implementation
- 21st century CLC grant award for a revolutionary after school program
- Two students participated in District Honor Band and five students made the South Carolina Region Two Honor Band.
- Robotics Team first place regionals for research projects. First place state for Core Values
- Quartet received an excellent rating. Duet received a superior rating at the Solo and Ensemble Festival
- 7th and 8th chorus received a superior at the Carowinds Festival of Music.

## Innovative School Programs

Students participate in service learning projects including a food drive, a fundraiser for Cystic Fibrosis and for Relay for Life.

Technology professional development changed to meet the needs of all teachers through personalized coaching sessions and trainings.

High School credits are offered in Algebra I, English I, Digital Literacy, and Google Apps. Our students also have the opportunity to earn high school credits in our proficiency based World Language program.

We hosted Spring Arts Festival, Region Orchestra completion and multiple other events in the Pelion Performing Arts Center.

The 2015-16 school year was focused on meeting the students where they were. We continued our journey of Blended Learning in the areas of ELA, Math and Science. This makes differentiation more obtainable in the classroom setting. We have adopted Achieve 3000, and ALEKS for our students to access digital content.

Response to Intervention programs serving students struggling academically in reading and math have shown tremendous success.

Our teachers have been using Schoology, an online learning platform also allows them to post assignments , notes, and resources for students.

Our teachers are reading and studying 7 habits of Highly Effective People in an effort to increase leadership capacity among faculty and students.

